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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

Please don't allow the monopolistic control of our internet, and make us all pay more for internet service and reducing our access to broadband. I like my local carrier and want them to continue to provide the excellent, low-cost access I now enjoy.

I depend on my local, attentive carrier to provide access for many activities including my work, access to information, and my ability to communicate with friends and to shop on line.

For years I lived in a rural community where access to broadband is still not fully in place, although there are numerous folks who have organized to gain access, and services that would like to provide it. We deserve access to information and communication that the rest of the world is increasingly dependent upon.

Americans' liberty depends on market competition, and allowing the increase of control by one or two extremely powerful companies will limit access and impose costs that are extortive. A decision unfair to the consumer will just make us less free.

Please decide in favor of the public rather than further improving the fortunes of a few stockholders and upper managers.

Thank you,

Robbin Henderson